

Amendments to the Specification

Please add the following new paragraph on page one immediately after "BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION" and before paragraph [0001].

CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS:

[0001.1] This application is a continuation of U.S. Serial No. 09/660,257 {Attorney Docket No. 22601- P002US}, by Smith, et al. entitled "Methods And Mixtures For Treating Distressed Trees", filed Sept. 12, 2000, currently pending.